

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Sam Farr (D-Carmel) has been awarded a 100 percent voting rating by the American Association of University Women for his support of AAUW priorities throughout 2007.

The score is based on votes on several pieces of legislation that became law, including bills that provided for an increase in the minimum wage; the largest increase in student aid since the G.I. bill; and investment in science, technology, engineering and math education. Other priorities reflected in the score include improving pay discrimination law, expanding hate crimes prevention and protecting access to reproductive health care.

"The priorities of the AAUW have always meshed with the priorities of the Central Coast," said Rep. Farr. "I'm proud of this recognition and look for to continuing my support of their issues."

The American Association of University Women has 100,000 members promoting education and equity for women and girls.

Lisa Maatz, director of public policy and government relations for the group, wrote to Rep. Farr: "AAUW greatly appreciates your consistent support for AAUW's priority issues throughout the past year."

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